

## HIRAM IMUS.

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Mr. FOSTER, of Washington, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

### REPORT.

[To accompany S. 4602.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (S. 4602) granting an increase of pension to Hiram Imus, have examined the same and report:

This bill as amended proposes to increase from \$12 to \$30 per month the pension of Hiram Imus, of Kalama, Wash., who was a private and corporal in Company M, Third Regiment Iowa Volunteer Cavalry, and who served from August 15, 1861, to September 19, 1864, when honorably discharged.

Claimant is now a pensioner under the act of June 27, 1890, at the rate of \$12 per month for total inability to earn a support by manual labor. He was formerly pensioned under the general law at \$8 per month for rheumatism and resulting disease of heart, contracted during his service. He is upward of 81 years of age, and the evidence on file, including the report of his medical examination, dated May 6, 1903, shows him to be suffering from chronic liver and stomach trouble, involving functional disturbances of heart and kidneys, and also infirmities of age, and is totally unable to perform any manual labor. It is also shown that he has no property of any particular value, all of his possessions not being worth over \$500, and that his sole income is his pension of \$12 per month.

There are numerous precedents for increasing the pensions of the aged, totally disabled, and destitute veterans of the war, especially those who served three years or more, in the light of which your committee report the bill back favorably with a recommendation that it pass when amended as follows:

In line 8 strike out the word "forty" and insert in lieu thereof the word "thirty."

